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Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C.

SIR:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.313(c)(2), Applicants herein petition for immediate withdrawal from issue of the above-identified application by virtue of the receipt of a search report from the equivalent prosecution in the European Patent Office issued May 7, 2002 which includes references not previously cited during prosecution of the above application. A copy of the European Search Report and cited references is attached hereto in the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.313(c)(2), a request for continued examination (RCE) to consider the enclosed Information Disclosure Statement directed to the recent European Search Report is attached hereto, and pursuant to M.P.E.P. §1308 and a telephone conversation between Applicants' counsel and the Office of Petitions, these papers are being sent directly to Ms. Karen Creasy of the Office of Petitions via facsimile at 703-308-6916 in order to expedite handling of this request.

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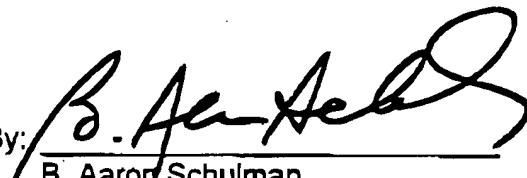
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Should any additional information or documentation be necessary to proceed on this request, the Office of Petitions is respectfully requested to call the undersigned to expedite the processing of this request and the granting of this petition.

Favorable consideration of the above Petition is thus earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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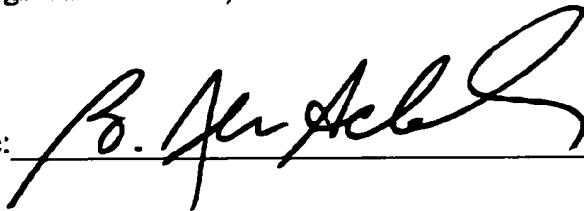
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